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Via ECFS
Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I live in a rural area. The fastest internet I can get is from small local provider. None of the major providers have any faster speeds available to me. My children need fast, dependable internet for their school work. If any of the major companies cared enough about the rural areas to provide the same service they provide the more populated areas, I would welcome the competition. I am currently receiving an internet speed of 8.5 megs. That is ridiculous in 2018. But if it were not for the local provider, I would not have anywhere near that. Thank you for the opportunity to express my opinion.

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